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For

LIGHTING DEVICE FOR A HIGH-PRESSURE DISCHARGE LAMP AND

LIGHTING EQUIPMENT EMPLOYING SAME

## **CLAIM OF PRIORITY**

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Sir:

Applicant hereby claims the right of priority granted pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 119 and 365 based upon Japanese Application No. 2003-380410, filed November 10, 2003. The International Bureau already should have sent a certified copy of the Japanese application to the United States designated office. If the certified copy has not arrived, please contact the undersigned.

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